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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter explains the requirements for individuals who live outside of North Carolina and:

- Have been convicted of a DWI (Driving While Impaired) in North Carolina, or
- Have been convicted of driving while less than 21 years old after consuming alcohol or other drugs in North Carolina.

In accordance with NC General Statute 122C-142.1, the following is required for driver's license reinstatement:

- A substance abuse assessment must be completed, and
- A substance abuse program (either education or treatment) must be completed.

If an individual living outside of North Carolina completes a substance abuse assessment, substance abuse education, and/or substance abuse treatment outside of North Carolina:

- Documentation of the out-of-state assessment, treatment, and/or education must be reviewed and approved by an authorized North Carolina DWI services provider.

- An authorized North Carolina DWI services provider can be found from the NC DWI Services website at http://www.ncdhhs.gov/mhddsas/dwi/. On the home page, click on "locate services" and choose any provider that is listed as providing "Out of State Review."

- The provider will complete the review, process the information, and complete a Certificate of Completion (508-R form) in order to resolve the outstanding DWI offense on the individual's North Carolina record. (The individual should receive a copy of the Certificate of Completion to retain for his or her records).

- Note: As there is no mandated fee for out-of-state reviews, the fee may differ among providers. Any authorized provider in North Carolina may be selected, regardless of location.

Sincerely,

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